Academic Senate Minutes
02/26/2019
3:00-5:00 PM
Faculty Resource Center Training Room, A-116

1) Call to Order and Welcome

Meeting was called to order at 3:02PM

2) Public Comments: ten minutes (3-minute maximum per person) are set aside to receive comments on agenda items or items not on the agenda but within the authority (10+1) of the Senate.

3) Action Items

a) Adopt Agenda


Auto-awarding Degrees (Information)

Mary Dominguez/Romero Jalomo
Dominguez presented on auto-awarding as part of our completion degrees and certificates for the college. She shared the amount of increase in awards that has increased since auto-awarding began. There have been several changes done since then with the residency requirements, and multiple-degree requirements.

SB 484 requires us to do auto-awarding for ADT’s a certificate is still awarded with notification. Evaluators use degree audit to evaluate the students and notify the student if they are eligible for their degree or if anything is still missing. It is foreseen that more full-time evaluators will be needed based on this new arrangement and current data.

Reverse Transfer: Many college students leave without a degree and transfer to a university to get their bachelors but never finish. With reverse transfer the university would send us their information (with consent from students for FERPA purposes), we would notify the student of their Hartnell Degree which in turn, could motivate them to go back and finish their B.A.

b) Approval of Minutes from February 12, 2019
   Lisa Storm
   1st Carol Kimbrough; 2nd Jason Hough. Unanimous.

c) Committee Appointments
   Lisa Storm
   1st Tony Anderson, 2nd Jason Hough. Unanimous.

d) Double Counting for Degrees
   Mary Dominguez

4) Discussion and Information Items
   a) Plan for Engagement
   Brian Lofman
   Dr. Lofman presented to the academic senate on the institutional dialogue in the area of standard IB. Although, the college has good institutional dialogue it is not as good as we’d like it to be. Moving toward college redesign we need to think about what we need to do to have discussions on issues other than, having a plan. How do we get people engaged? A workgroup of faculty, staff, students, and others was formed, meetings were held June 2018-November 2018. An outside group was brought in to see what was needed and a survey will be sent out to faculty and staff on engagement.
b) Swim Team

Athletic Director, Dan Teresa presented to the academic senate on the proposal to get a Hartnell College swim team. He presented the survey that was conducted with the local high schools and the results show swimming to be of high interest.

Part of the plan is to bring a full-time aquatics person that will enhance our class availability and increase our swim classes.

c) Facilities Update

Daniel reported to the academic senate on five topics: Changes in Facilities Council, Parking Press, Measure T, and Starbucks.

(1) At the last Facilities Council it was announced that administration will attempt to fold facilities into Administrative Council. The reason for that is repetitiveness and lack of attendance is an ongoing issue. The move is tentative to April 2018. Facilities council asked for a vote, but per faculty request, the vote was moved to the next meeting. Storm commented that she agrees with the merging of the council due to the redundancy of the material.

(2) Parking Press: April will begin the installation of solar panels on the top floor of parking structure. Top level of the parking structure will be closed from April – July 2019.

(3) Measure T: Permits for nursing and Building D are yet to be approved it is expected that we break ground summer 2019. Building D remodel will occur at the end of the semester, faculty will need to have everything packed by the last day of the semester. It was asked that Daniel get more clarification on what “personal items” consist of and if maintenance department will help move items into storage and temporary cubicles. It was recommended that a strategy is in place on spreading out the move.

(4) Starbucks: Work is scheduled to begin 15, 2019 at the north end of our Student Center (Building C).

d) AB 705 Philosophy Statement

Locke presented the need of a philosophy statement that guides our communications so that we are putting out the same message. Although there are concerns about rigor we also want to welcome students the opportunity they have for transfer level coursework regardless of past school experiences. The philosophy statement will be placed in the inside cover of the schedule, website, and will be used in many other publications where we tell students of their rights and opportunity. We want to convey a consistent message to the student regardless of what they are taking or where they are going.

e) Student Cheating-AP 5500

Hornstein reminded the senate about the last meeting when a robust discussion occurred regarding student cheating. It was decided that the way to address student cheating is through policy and
procedure. What currently exists is found in AP 5500, with only one sentence on cheating and no other APs contain explanations on academic dishonesty or consequences. Upon a search, Hornstein found that Santa Barbara College has a good AP that explains what academic dishonesty entails. Academic senate will work with Mary Dominguez in Student Affairs to begin the process of creating a policy that addresses academic dishonesty and consequences.

f) Academic Senate PPA

Schur-Beymer presented the senate with the budget that will be proposed at the next PPA, she asked for any additional suggestions on activities, and budget requests.

Nancy Schur-Beymer

5) President’s Report

6) Announcements (Senators): Updates on Standing Committees/Governance Councils/Task Forces/ASCCC Events.

7) Adjournment-President Storm adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.